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The beautiful residence of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Richards in the east part of the city was the scene Wednesday night of one of the largest gatherings in the history of the city, the occasion being the marriage of their daughter, Blanch Hetty, to Mr. Elmer C. McClain. The continuous rain of the afternoon made walking almost impossible and the arrival of the guests at the house was delayed by the lack of carriage accommodations. At 8:30, the time set for the ceremony, there were many guests not yet arrived, and the ceremony was delayed until after 9 o'clock, in order that all the friends who were coming might be present.

The large parlors were crowded, when at the signal, the ushers marked out the route of the wedding procession with white ribbons, against which the guests pressed eagerly to obtain a view of the group which formed before the clergyman. Mrs. Maynard Bush presided at the piano and the opening chords of Mendelssohn's wedding march sent a thrill through the awaiting friends. Down the stairway and along the hall into the north parlor came the bride and attendants. First came four ushers, Messrs. Walt McNeil, Will Brewster, Sam Burrell and Julius Krueger, then the four brides, Misses Bessie Post, Grace Beck, Alice Hendricks and Lillie Casmire. Miss Foust, as maid of honor, preceded the bride, who came down the stairs on her father's arm. Just before the entrance to the north room was reached, the groom and best man, Thos. Bowles, entered from another door and preceded the bridal party up the room to where Rev. Leslie F. Potter, the bride's brother-in-law, stood waiting. The ushers and maids formed a crescent, leaving the bride and groom in the center.

Then in the short but exceedingly impressive words of the Episcopal marriage service the pledges and vows were exchanged, the low, trembling tones of the responses adding to the solemnity of the ceremony. After the benediction the wedded pair led the way into the north-west room, followed by the attendants. The ribbon barrier was then removed and there was a rush to congratulate the happy pair, and to kiss the bride, who always charming, was a very picture of loveliness in her wedding gown.

The guests scattered through the rooms after the ceremony and admired the handsome presents and chatted about the doors and windows through which the cool breezes which followed the rain entered.

There are few young people in Allen county who have had so wide an acquaintance or who number so many of their acquaintances among their friends. Miss Richards has grown up in Iola, universally admired for her charming face and person and loved for the sunniness and joy of her manner and disposition. Always one of the loveliest girls in the city she has added to her popularity by a cordial hospitality when she entertained as she frequently did in her home, and the sweet womanliness of her character appeared in the solicitude for her friends. She is an accomplished musician and will carry a ray of sunshine, of mirth and of music into her new home. Elmer McClain is the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. S. McClain, and during the five years or more that he has made his home in Iola, he has done nothing to cause his friends to change their opinion of him which they formed at meeting. He is blessed with a liberal share of good looks, a strong active manhood which wins friends and retains them. He has been in business in Iola with his father,

er, later as manager for the Tudor Mercantile company, and for the past few months as proprietor of his own store of gentleman's furnishings. The two young people will commence housekeeping at once in the handsome house adjoining the old home, and surrounded by all that heart could desire, held in loving esteem by their friends all over the county, their future looks bright and cloudless.

Among the many beautiful and useful presents received by the young people are the following:

At the head of the list comes the handsome house, located just south of the old house on the pretty lawn. It was a gift of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Richards.

Clock—Bridal party, Bessie Post, Clara Foust, Alice Hendricks, Grace Beck, Will Brewster, Sam Burrell, Tom Bowles, Julius Krueger and Walter McNeil.

Bedroom suit—Mr. and Mrs. McClain.

Baking dish—Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Potter.

Oil painting—Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Lauck, N. S. Wood and Miss Carmine of Kansas City.

Steel range—Mr. and Mrs. B. A. Casmire, Muncie, Ind.

Claret pitcher—Mr. and Mrs. A. K. Taylor, Milwaukee, Wis.

Silver tea spoons—Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Haynes, Muscogee, I. T.

Center piece—Parsons family, Chanute, Kans.

Doyle—Minn and George Bartly, Chanute, Kans.

Doyle—Mrs. R. J. Bartly, Chanute, Kans.

Doville—Maud and Jessie Haynes, Muscogee, I. T.

Mustard spoon—Miss Clara Welch, Denver, Colo.

Salad fork—Mr. Jesse Ward, Chanute, Kans.

Tea cloth—Miss Pearl Lilly, Chanute, Kans.

Picture—Miss Bessie Islet, Chanute, Kans.

Creamer and sugar—Miss Gertrude Duffy, Manhattan, Kans.

Berry dish—Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Richards and Miss Rena, Ft. Scott.

Celery and olive dishes—Mr. and Mrs. C. Benton, Ft. Scott, Kans.

Toilet set—Miss Grace Acers, Vices—John George Parkerson, St. Joe, Mo.

Fruit dish—Clara and Hazel Bowles, Cut glass fruit dish—L. W. Horton, T. S. McClure, C. Culbertson, Wm. Green, Geo. Bedell, W. C. Hankins, W. W. McClure, F. Scott, Ralph Thrasher, A. P. Harris.

Jolly spoon—Miss Bedell.

Berry spoon—Mr. and Mrs. Beck, Mr. and Mrs. Wishard, Maud Beck.

Berry spoon—Mr. and Mrs. Dean Allison.

Silver tea-set, cake dish and butter dish—Messrs. and Mesdames H. M. Miller, G. Goff, W. Bartels, G. A. Fry, C. S. Potter, H. H. Funk, W. J. Evans, C. H. Boulton, Otto Krueger, W. H. McClure, R. B. Stevenson, A. J. Servey, S. H. Patterson, J. R. Young, F. A. Sauer, J. W. Deleplain, W. C. John, W. M. Hartman, C. M. Cholette, S. A. Post, and Misses Olie and Maud Bartels, Jennie and Ella Langford, M. Stevens, Jennie Kelso Alta Fry and Mr. Rack Miller.

Cut-glass water set and tray—Misses Ada Wright, Josie Sweetenberger, Pearl Servey, Lottie Nichols, Cora Monfort, Florence Bean, Rosalia Charles, Jennie McNeil, Daisy Hobart, Cora Charles, Pearl Anderson, Sadie Post, Maude Holden, Pearl McDonald, Lucy Burris.

Library table, Bert McNeil, Bert Harris, J. A. Tuggles, Dr. F. D. Tras, J. H. Campbell, Bert Contant, W. and H. Brister, H. E. Waugh, Peter Holden.

Dining table, Messrs. and Mesdames L. L. Northrup, D. P. Northrup, F. A. Northrup, P. Robinson, J. A. Robinson, F. J. Horton, Mr. and Mrs. Parkinson and Mr. and Mrs. H. Sleeper.

Fruit dish, Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Hendricks.

Oak rocker—Messrs. and Mesdames N. F. Acres, C. C. Ausherman, A. Funston, John Wood, A. W. Howland, C. H. DeClute, A. J. Fulton, Miss Ida McHugh.

Wedgewood pitcher—Dr. and Mrs. Hendricks.

Cut-glass salad dish—Mr. and Mrs. Robert Lanyon, Chicago, Ill.

Gravy ladle—Mr. and Mrs. H. McNeil.

Berry spoon—George Kirby.

Sugar spoon—Mr. and Mrs. G. Apple.

Cream pitcher—Joan Dudley.

Set China tea cups—Misses Irving, Evans, McDonald, Colburn, Mitchell,

Hankins, Jennings, Henson, Randolph, Salad fork—Miss Ada Adams, Emporia, Kansas. Cream ladle—Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Evans. Cold Meat fork—Mr. and Mrs. Foust. Salad fork—Miss Ella Ewart. Pickle Castor—Mrs. John Richards. Lace Handkerchief—Miss Settle Wilson. Picture—Miss Maude Francis. Cheese plate—Lloyd and Kenneth Robinson, Miss Blanche Fowler. Salad dish—Miss J. W. McClure. Pearl handled fruit and nut set—Louis Baird, Daniel Bartholomew, H. Mont Palmer. Cat glass olive dish—Mr. and Mrs. Wallis Ewing. Butter knife—Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Taylor. Napkin—Mrs. E. L. Thrater. Salad dish—Miss Birdie Reimert, Mrs. Barnes, Miss Ladd and John Carman. Creamer and sugar—Mrs. J. F. Thompson. Cheese plate—Miss Mildred Stevens Chanute. Picture, St. Cecilia—Willis Henderson, Alfred Deleplain and John Henderson. China candle stick—Mrs. Myers and Gulla Myers. Cracker jar—Dr. and Mrs. Morgan. Picture, "A Daughter of Persia"—Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Turner. Picture, "John Alden and Pricilla"—Messrs. and Mesdames, Espinalt, Rose Claiborne, Duncan, H. T. Evans, Dr. and Mrs. Pepper, Misses Henderson and Rootwick. Jardiniere and stand—Messrs. and Mrs. G. A. Bowles, L. T. Palmer, L. Dale, W. Davis, W. Green, B. Ling, W. G. Allison, R. R. Claiborne, W. C. Teare, Mrs. Agnes Scott. 1 dozen dessert plates—Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Beatty.

Semi-Annual Teachers' Meeting. Announcement and program for next semi-annual Teachers' Association.

The next semi-annual Teachers' Association will be held in the Iola High school room Tuesday, June 20, at 1:30 p. m.

Next Year's Work in Association, discussed by H. H. Jones.

Paper, The First Day of School, Miss Vida Fethergill.

Paper, The Teacher and the Teacher's Wife, Frank Wood.

Miscellaneous business, election of officers, etc.

Music in charge of Miss Rootwick.

COM. ON PROGRAM.

AN UNWARRANTED HOWL.

New York Times: Ever since General (then Colonel) Funston sent home a letter in which he expressed the hope that "the blighting curse of Populism might be removed from Kansas at the next election," there have been grave doubts among the Populist politicians of that State whether the little volunteer was quite so glorious a hero as had previously been supposed. The doubts grew as time went on, and the "blighting curse" phrase rankled deeper and deeper. Finally it was decided that Funston was the product, if not the invention, of an adroit press agent!

This available theory has been set forth at great length and in minute detail by the Atchison Globe. It declares that the press agent's name is John M. Steele, that he is an experienced newspaper man, and that he has taken great pains to exploit the Twentieth Kansas regiment and such of its officers as well, as he deemed it expedient to bring and keep before the public eye. Steele is himself a member of the regiment, and before he left San Francisco made terms for letters with a number of Western papers. Hence, according to the theory, the rise to fame of Funston and Major Metcalf, and hence, too, the obscurity, mitigated only by occasional brief disparagement, of Lieutenant Colonel Little. One hardly knows whether to be disgusted or amused by this revelation—not of the press agent's existence, but of vengeful anger on the part of the politicians whom Funston's words offended. Beyond question the exploits of the Kansans, both privates and officers, have not been kept hidden under a bushel. Why should they have been concealed? On the other hand, the angry Populists will try in vain to make the country at large believe that Steele, even if he had tried to do so, could have done more than tell the truth. If he has done it well, that was his business as a newspaper man, and if the telling did not interfere with his duty as a soldier and nobody says it did—Kansas ought to be grateful for whatever advertising he has given her and her sons. The idea that Steele could influence the regular correspondents or the commanding generals is absurd, and neither the one nor the other have shown any suspicious as to the reality of Funston's courage or the brilliance of his exploits.

Graduates from the Kirksville Normal, Kirksville, Mo., June 15.—In the chapel at the state normal school a class of 42 students of pedagogy received diplomas for having completed the two-year course prescribed for the normal schools of the state. The class was addressed by W. T. Carrington, state superintendent of public instruction, who also presented the diplomas.

Dewey Will Sail for Ceylon, Singapore, June 15.—Admiral Dewey landed here from the Olympia, which arrived here June 11, and bade farewell to the governor, Sir C. V. H. Mitchell. The admiral sailed this morning for Colombo, Ceylon. He will probably visit the hills of Ceylon for the benefit of his health.

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In a speech at a Populist convention at Eldorado Monday Jerry Simpson declared that the People's Party might as well discuss a last year's bird nest as silver at 16 to 1. Mr. Simpson's defeat for Congress seems to have rendered him singularly lucid.

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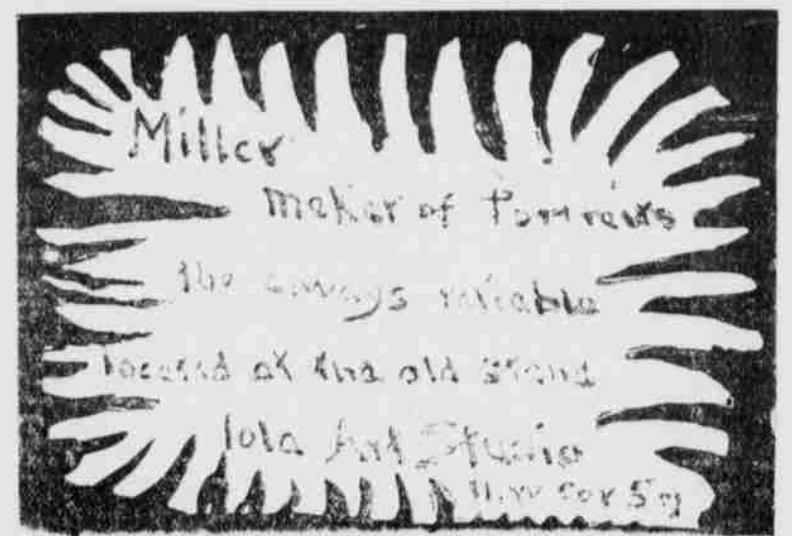
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